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For: METHOD FOR THE PRODUCTION OF FINE  
METAL POWDER, ALLOY POWDER AND  
COMPOSITE POWDER

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Examiner: N. T. Mai

**SUBMISSION OF INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY REPORT ON PATENTABILITY**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicants submit herewith a copy of the International Preliminary Report on Patentability (IPRP) issued in the corresponding international application. The European Examiner considered claims 2, 10-14 and 17 to be novel and all claims to possess industrial applicability.

Applicants believe no fee is due with this Transmittal. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 03-2775, under Order No. 13077-00118-US from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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